IN THE HIGH COURT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, SHIMLA.

CWP NOs. 720, 721 & 722 Of 2005.

Date of decision: March 26, 2007.

CWP No.720 of 2005.

Piar Chand. ……. Petitioner.

Vs.

State of H.P. & Ors. ……. Respondents.

CWP No.721 of 2005.

Ram Chand. ……. Petitioner.

Vs.

State of H.P. & Ors. ……. Respondents.

CWP No.722 of 2005.

Ram Lal. ……. Petitioner.

Vs.

State of H.P. & Ors. ……. Respondents.

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The Hon'ble Mr.Justice Deepak Gupta, Judge.

The Hon'ble Mr.Justice Surinder Singh, Judge.

Whether approved for reporting? No

For the petitioner: Mr.Vishal Panwar, Advocate.

For the respondents: Mr. Anand Sharma, Advocate, for the respondents.

Deepak Gupta, J.(Oral).

In all these petitions, the petitioners have challenged their transfer orders from Joginder Nagar to various places in Punjab. The petitioners are all employees of the Punjab State Electricity Board and posted at Shanan Power Project, Joginder Nagar. According to them, they have been transferred in a short span of time and the normal period of posting at one place is 8 to 10 years.

On the other hand, the stand of the Punjab State Electricity Board is that the petitioners have been

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permitted to stay at Joginder Nagar on compassionate ground for a long period and now the time has come to post them at any other place. When the petitions were filed stay orders were granted in favour of the petitioners on 29th July, 2005. More than one year and eight months has elapsed since then. Keeping in view the entire dispute, we dispose of these writ petitions with the following directions:-

(i) The petitioners may make representation(s) within a period of four weeks, to their employer for either retaining them at Joginder Nagar or to post them at the place of their choice; and

(ii) The representations of the petitioners shall be decided by the respondents within three weeks thereafter in accordance with law. The authorities may consider the representations sympathetically and pass fresh orders in accordance with law.

All the petitions are accordingly disposed of.

CMP No.1440/2005 in CWP No.720 of 2005.
CMP No.1441/2005 in CWP No.721 of 2005.
CMP No.1442/2005 in CWP No.722 of 2005.

No order in view of the disposal of the main writ petitions. Stay order dated 29th July, 2005 is vacated.

(Deepak Gupta)
Judge.

March 26, 2007.
(Pds)

(Surinder Singh)
Judge.